

## Memorandum

Date:

March 9, 1999

To:

**CALFED Policy Group** 

From:

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Subject: Revised Schedule of Information Needing Decisions

The enclosed schedule updates the schedule distributed with the March 10, 1999, Policy Group packet. The schedule displays a number of activities requiring decisions. All CALFED efforts are not currently included in the schedule. The schedule will be updated to include all efforts. The schedule extends until the signing of the Record of Decision.

The following is an item by item discussion of each activity in the schedule:

## EIS/EIR

- Preferred Program Alternative The description of the Preferred Program Alternative needs to be included in the EIS/EIR. More importantly, the consequences attributable to this alternative need to be displayed in the EIS/EIR. Concurrence on the alternative will be needed in April to meet the June deadline for the public draft.
- Agency Comments on the Administrative Draft It is anticipated that comments will identify issues needing a decision(s). Concurrence on suggested means for resolution will be needed in May.
- Public Hearings/Logistics Concurrence on suggested number and locations of public hearings for the EIS/EIR will be need in May.
- Print Public Draft Concurrence to print the EIS/EIR will be needed in May.
- Response to Public Comments It is anticipated that comments will identify issues needing a decision (s). Concurrence on suggested means for resolution will be needed in January, 2000.
- Print Final Concurrence to print the EIS/EIR will be needed in April, 2000.
- Sign ROD/Findings Signing is scheduled for June, 2000.

CALFED Agencies -

California

The Resources Agency Department of Fish and Game Department of Water Resources California Environmental Protection Agency State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

**Environmental Protection Agency** Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service Bureau of Reclamation U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Department of Commerce National Marine Fisheries Service

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## Water Management Strategy

- Objectives Concurrence that appropriate water management strategy objectives have been defined will be requested by April 30.
- Draft Framework Concurrence on the Water Management Strategy outline for the public draft EIS/EIR will be needed in May.
- Draft Water Management Strategy Concurrence on the draft Water Management Strategy will be sought in September.
- Final Water Management Strategy Concurrence on Water Management Strategy by the time the ROD is signed.

## **404 MOA**

- Draft Framework Concurrence on an initial outline of the MOA will be needed by May for the public draft EIS/EIR.
- Performance Measures Concurrence on suggested practicable levels of conservation, recycling and other water management tools will be requested in January 2000.
- Final Framework Concurrence on final outline for MOA will be requested in January 2000
- Sign MOA Sign MOA by the time the ROD is signed.

Attachment